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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT

: Information on Defense Intelligence Agency Request

to Congress for Building Authorization

1. This memorandum is for your information only.

- 2. Recently the Office of Logistics received advice from an informal liaison contact on the Building Planning Staff of the DIA that on 31 January 1969 Senator John Stennis introduced a Bill (S. 779) to authorize construction as follows: "Headquarters Defense Intelligence Agency, Arlington Hall Station, Arlington, Virginia: Operational facilities, \$28,236,000." This same contact offered additional information to the effect that a similar appropriation request has been presented three or four times in the last six years. Almost every time the Congressional Committee asked about other sites being investigated and this time a study has been prepared stating the conclusions drawn after analyzing some thirty potential sites. The liaison contact indicated that the Bureau of Public Roads property is high on the list of "potential" sites.
- 3. Based on their discussions with their DIA contact, the Office of Logistics has interpreted the above information as indicating a strong possibility that while DOD has submitted the request for construction at Arlington Hall, the DIA itself would prefer construction at the Bureau of Public Roads property.
- 4. To the above might be added one other item of interest concerning the BPR property. OL has also advised that under the reduced Sentinel defense system the D.C. area is to be the site of a Sentinel missile installation; such being the case, DOD (apart from any DIA construction requirement) might have an interest in the BPR property for this Sentinel installation.

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- 5. I am reporting this matter against the possibility that DIA may seriously turn their interest to constructing their building on the adjoining BPR property. On a long-range basis we have hopes of constructing a second building on our present property for the centralization and facility improvement of our various units scattered around town. Based upon projections up to 1980 by the National Capitol Planning Commission, including road building programs, the CIA holdings and the BPR holdings could assimilate an additional 2,000 to 3,000 people in the next ten years. It would be quite difficult, I think, to accommodate a DIA headquarters building at the same time and such a building would preclude proposed expansion that we have in mind which would utilize some of the present BPR property.
  - 6. We will continue to monitor this matter and will report developments.

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